



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0013]

Proposed Information Collection (Application for United States Flag for Burial Purposes) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to determine eligibility for issuance of a burial flag to the next-of-kin or friend of a deceased Veteran.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0013" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed

online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at
www.Regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632-8924 or
FAX (202) 632-8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44
U.S.C. 3501 – 3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of
Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or
sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of
the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1)
Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance
of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the
accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3)
ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4)
ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including
through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of
information technology.

Title: Application for United States Flag for Burial Purposes, VA Form 27-2008.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0013.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 27-2008 is used to gather information that is necessary to determine
whether a burial flag may be issued to the next-of-kin or friend of a deceased Veteran to

drape the casket or accompany the urn. Without this information, VA would be unable to properly determine eligibility for issuance of a burial flag.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 162,500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 650,000.

By direction of the Secretary:

Dated: August 21, 2014.

Crystal Rennie,

Department Clearance Officer,

Department of Veterans Affairs.

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